

# **Exhibit 5**

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**From:** Holmes Adams <Holmes.Adams@arlaw.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2016 2:40 PM  
**To:** Aria (CRT) Vaughan  
**Cc:** Vic Wu; Natasha Merle; Alexander(CRT) Chanock; Natane (CRT) Singleton; JCompton@witherspooncompton.com  
**Subject:** RE: Meridian Site Visit

Aria and all,

As I told you earlier, the principal and PBIS Coordination for Poplar Springs will not be present on May 19, so we ask that you visit Poplar Springs on either May 17 or 18, and move one of the schools from those dates to the May 19 time slot. Let me know as soon as you can so that we can make definite arrangements with all schools.

Also, please confirm whether or not you want to visit with the DAC and TDAC. The District needs to get out invitations to their members to try to get as many of the members together on the late afternoon times you indicated.

Will you also list for me the persons who will be on the site visit for both DOJ and LDF.

I would appreciate hearing from you soon so that the District can finalize plans with all the school officials to ensure their availability for the times indicated.

Thanks, Holmes

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**From:** Vaughan, Aria (CRT) [mailto:Aria.Vaughan@usdoj.gov]  
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**Subject:** RE: Meridian Site Visit

Holmes and John,

Thank you for the District's proposed schedule. We very much appreciate the time the district put into creating it. However, rather than short visits at all district schools, we propose an alternative schedule:

Tuesday, May 17

Carver MS: 8:00 am – 11:30 am  
Meridian HS: 12:30 pm – 3:35 pm  
DAC: 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, May 18

Magnolia MS: 8:00 am – 11:30 am  
Northwest MS: 12:30 pm – 3:35 pm  
TDAC: 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Thursday, May 19

West Hills ES: 8:00 am – 10:00 am  
Poplar Springs ES: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Parkview ES: 1:15 pm – 3:20 pm

TBD: 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm

At each school, we would like to meet with the principal and assistant principal or other administrator responsible for discipline. We would also like to hold a focus group with the PBIS Coordinator and School Discipline Administrative Team and have a short tour of each school, including classroom observations. We will follow up soon with the names/titles of additional administrators and school personnel that we would like to speak with.

We would also like an opportunity to discuss DOJ's perspective on the redaction issue. Do you have time for a call next Thursday at 1pm ET?

Finally, it would be helpful if you can copy DOJ's and LDF's teams on case-related emails. This helps us respond promptly in the event a team member is on the road and ensures that both plaintiffs are in the loop.

All the best,

Aria

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**Subject:** Meridian Site Visit

Aria,

Dr. Carter has suggested the attached schedule to assist with your visit on May 17-19. The District has administrators and staff participating in end-of- year programs, field trips, etc., so Dr. Carter has developed a schedule to work around the events. This should give you the opportunity to talk with the Discipline Advisory Committee and the Teacher Advisory Group as well.

Also, would you please let me know the names of your experts who will visiting and the names of everyone else in your party.

Thanks, Holmes

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